



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held February 10, 2009, the Board took the following action:

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The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisor Ridley-Thomas:

“On February 5, 2009, there was a major disturbance at Camp Scudder, a camp designated for girls with mental health needs. According to the Probation Department, the fight, which lasted approximately 35 minutes, involved 31 minors. Two of the minors had to be taken to a hospital and were later released. Eight staff sought medical attention with no reported major injuries. After the fight, 16 minors who were involved in the disturbance were transported to Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile Hall.

“The County of Los Angeles Probation Department must provide minors placed in custody a safe and healthy environment. The fundamental objective of the Residential Treatment Service experience is to aid in reducing the incidence and impact of crime in the community. This is accomplished by providing each minor with a residential treatment experience geared toward developing effective life skills. Therefore, the Board of Supervisors is responsible for ensuring that our juvenile facilities are safe so that the mission of community reintegration for our minors is accomplished in a structured and strategic manner while ensuring that no minor’s safety is jeopardized.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Ridley-Thomas, seconded by Supervisor Knabe unanimously carried, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Probation Officer were requested to report back to the Board within 14 days on what happened at Camp Scudder on February 5, 2009 and what is being done to prevent these types of disturbances.

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